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Us Now: A film project about the power of mass collaboration, government and the Internet

Last week, we heard Clay Shirky use Tim O'Reilly's term "the architecture of participation."

This week, we'll be looking at Henry Jenkins' ideas about the different forms of "participatory culture" and the skills they require.

As you watch *Us Now*, please jot down the big ideas (key words/phrases) you hear (for example, "gift economy") and take notes on the different kinds of participation you see demonstrated in the following examples.

Big Ideas (key words/phrases): <i>gift economy</i>			
CouchSurfing:	The People Speak:	Open Source Software (Linux):	SliceThePie:
MumsNet:	MyFootballClub:	Zopa (microlending):	The Point:

After watching the documentary, please write a few paragraphs exploring the idea of "Government 2.0" on the back of this sheet.

What could it look like? What are some of the pros and cons of such a model? What would some of the challenges be, and how could we address those challenges? Where do you stand on this idea? So what? Now what?